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In re Application of:)	
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Appln. No.: 09/615,577)	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: July 13, 2000)	
For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	September 11, 2000
APPARATUS AND METHOD,)	
AND STORAGE MEDIUM)	

The Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed. Japanese Patent Document No. 2-622429 (B2), which is discussed at page 12 of the specification, is a foreign counterpart of U.S. Patent No. 5,111,310.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following copending U.S. patent applications:

<u>Appln. No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group Art Unit</u>	<u>Status</u>
09/636,636	August 11, 2000	Unassigned	Pending
09/587,906	June 6, 2000	2721	Pending
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of the cited U.S. applications is enclosed.

Applicants submit that no fee is required for consideration of this information since it is being submitted within three (3) months of the filing date.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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